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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Introductory Comments

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2003 (Paper No. 8), the three month statutory response to which is set to expire on December 22, 2003. Please consider the following remarks and amendments. This response is timely filed.

This Amendment is filed in the revised format described in the Office's Pre-OG Notice dated 31 January 2003.

Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this Amendment.